TO HIS PETITIONSES.

Directed to Rodolph Hattield and Others-The Petitioners Desiring a Grand Jury for the May term of Court Were ton Late-Grand Jury Shall be Drawn and Summoned as Provided by Law-Judge is to Decide Whether a Grand Jury is a Necessity-Will Have no Grand Jury at

There was a good deal of interest manifested yesterday to know what Judge Reed would do in regard to calling a grand jury for the May term. As a rule the taxpayers of the were opposed to a grand jury at this time and the reason assigned was that it would result only in increasing the taxes and to no purpose.

The farmers who came to the court bouse to do business yesterday were interrogated as to their views in regard. to the matter by a reporter for the Eagle, and they invariably denounced the scheme, some times in languar more forceable than elegant.

One farmer said in the county commissioners' office that the prohibitionists had to bear the blame of this

movement to increase taxation when in fact he believed that some of the lawyers in this city were the prime movers in it and their object was to get movers in it and their object was to get fees in defending the liquor men and that prohibitionists are made the tools. "I signed the petition," said Postmaster Kinciad of Chearwater, "and I did it because i wanted to see what you fellows would do with it."

Everybody who knows Jim Kincald. Mr. Cleveland's postmaster at Clearwater, knows that he is fully as good a prohibitionist as Mr. Cleveland himself. He was raised down in Pennsyl.

self. He was raised down in Pennsylvania in the Monorigahala Rye district, and Jim lays awake of nights devising ways and means of enforcing the prohibitory law, because Jim said he did, and that the subsoiler is coming into Not until yesterday at noon did Judge Reed announce his decision in the matter, and in order that all the signers to the petition might know the result he handed a reporter for the Eagle the following for publication:

To the Hon, Recolub Hattleid and

as follows:

"We the undersigned taxpayers of Sedgwick county, Kansas, respectfully and urgently petition the honorable judge of the district court of said county to direct and order the drawing of a grand jury for the May, 1835, term of said district court."

ordinary "This is believe, we believe, we be the most to keep the most argund jury for the May, 1835, term of said district court."

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Article 7, section 73, of the procedure criminal of the state reads: "A grand fury shall be reafter only be ordered drawn and summoned to attend the state damp string of the state of

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and term, he shall certify that fact to the county clork of said county at least one mount before the commencement of the county clork of said county at least one mount before the commencement of the county clork of said county at least one mount before the commencement of the county clork of said county at least one mount before the commencement of the county clork of said county at least one mount before the commencement of the count at which a part that the action of the count at which a present the county will craw from the part of the count at which a part of the count at which a part of the county of the count at which a part of the county of the

Joselyn last night said:
"The question of irrigation has been brought into prominence of late, our last two very dry seasons having se-

centuated the necessity for the con-servation of the rain fall even east of the proverbal "100th meridian," where the necessity of irrigation was never be-fore thought of.

fore thought of.

"The concensus of opinion as to irrigation, however desirable it may be for the limited acres adopted to cultivation between and near the high range of mountains, is that it is entirely inadequate for the broad scope of prairie lands constituting the golden grain best of the west—all that vast and provide swelon between the Missouri and lific region between the Missouri and the 180th merbitan surface. Irriga-tion here if possible on the scale re-quired, would neither pay nor is it

recessary. Mercer. "Our rain fall has been always suf-

CAN NOT GRANT IT three years to get the upper and lower wet together." There is truth in this and also danger. We have a rich surface soil animost everywhere. Below this, from a foot to two or three fact is a subsoil containing more or less

clay, which after successive seasons of deficient rain fall, becomes almost a cement. The reason is that in the hor season the sun, in the beneficent pro season the sun, in the beneficent pro-cess of evaporation draws it up from be-low the moisture stored there, up past the plant roots which are thereby fed hind nourished, into the atmosphere which cool currents of air above con-dence into clouds and rain, and cool nights distill in dues upon the earth and the vegetation which clothes it.

"This process however if continued

This process, however, if continued "This process, however, if continued gradually exhausts the moisture below and leaves the subsoil hard, dry and about as impervious as cement. In this condition of the subsiol plant life must depend wholly upon the moisture falling from the clouds. When this is insufficient over any area to keep the surface soil in condition, plants begin to suffer, then wither, and finally die in the hot air which, by a natural process, arises and by an equally natural process put in motion become the hot winds of which we hear so much. winds of which we hear so much.

'Now if the clay subsiol underlying all our country had been prepared so the Fiftth shows a gain of 8 per cent. as to absorb the rain fall instead of shedding it by seepage into the bottom side additions than and wards in the there never would have been any dry seasons, nor hot winds in Kansus-this at must is my belief.

The simple remedy is to do for our-The simple remedy is to do for ourselves to save our water what people
farther east in the heavy gumbo lands
have long been doing to get rid of their
surplus water, vis-subsoil. Subsoiled
for twenty inches, as may readily be
done by any farmer, and I do not believe there are many upland quarters
in this or any of the adjoining counties which will not produce any even s which will not produce any crep and even corn, as richly every year as irrigated land. In fact it will be sub-irrigated land where thoroughly suboiled. The reason is that our dashing rains, instead of running off rapidly into streams, causing freshets in all the larger ones, will be absorbed into the broken subsoil to be given up slowly

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Your petition addressed to myself as duly presented on Friday the 19th fais month. The petition is in words is follows:
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\*\*TS GOING TO RAIN.\*\*

Yesterday Constable responding to the proceedings brought by Rev. Hall against the First Baptist by Rev. Hall agai

As we have alreay seen, section 9 of As we have alreay seen, section 9 of cor.—C. W. Bitting, 32d; Com. of Cal.—chapter 54 requires that the jury for the district court must be drawn "at least thirty days before any term of 32d; 2d S. B.—Chas. M. Jones, 32d; 2d S. B.—J. M. Moere, 32d; Lt. of Gd.—It follows of necessity that as judge of the Goldberg, 32d.

of drouth.

"My observation of soil conditions in breaking up considerable areas three years ago, led me to believe and subsequent study of the question under evere elimatic conditions prevailing during the last two years, has confirmed me in the conclusion, that, surface brigation is not what we need, but something much simpler, less expensive and more effective; to-wit, subsoiling.

It is a saying often heard, that "we have not had rain enough in two or Post.

### SHOWS A BIG GAIN

WICHITA (LIMBING UP PEGARD-LESS OF HARD TIMES.

fixth Ward Makes a Big Gain and the Fifth Follows Close at its Heels, Although They are the Wards Least Likely to Increase in Population--Indications That Wichita has More People Now Than at Any Time Since the Boom--The Entire Increase will be Nearly Twenty Per Cent-Information Regarding Wichita.

what J. D. Caldwell, who has the matter ling tonight. wards of the city are finished, the Sixth and Fifth. The Sixth ward shows a gain of 9 per cent i apopulation, while the Fifth shows a gain of 8 per cent. These two wards embrace more outside addition. in charge, said to a reporter for the side additions than and wards in the side additions than and wards in the Wichita employing a couple of cows

other respects, less liable to increase. The indications are that the First ward will show the greatest gain of any ward in the city, and it is not unlikely that it will show an increase of nealy 20 per cent. The indications are that the average gain will not be for from 20 per turn

### DID IT WITH A HATCHET.

All members of W. R. C. No. 49 are requested to meet at Mrs. Lee's, 216 North Market street, at 2 o'clock this (Sanday) afternoon to attend the funeral of Sister Snyder, which takes place at the Central Christain church at 3 o'clock. By order of Mrs. S. M. Mercer.

The Wichita Tennis club will hold a special meeting Monday evening. April 12, at 8 o'clock in the rooms in the tear of the Sedgwick county bank, to which all the young men in the city who feel all the young men in the ci

Purcelain bath tubs for hot, cold and Purcelain bath tubs for hot, cold and Oration. soft water, ciphon closets, marble lav-atory—all set and finished in the most approved and attractive manner, for Mess Daugherty.

J. V. Daugherty.
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Parks, M. C. Campbell, The EnmedEno company and others, not to menEno company and others, not to menEno company and others, not to menEno company and others, not for menEno company and the comp tion water service for a dozen parties

Dr. and Mrs. Purdue returned this morning from New York. Mrs. H. G. Ruggles left on the noon Renediction. Rev. Wm Claures.

visit friends. She will be absent about THEY

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Meade, formerly of this city, will be delighted to hear that God bless ed them with a bright little baby boy recently.

The officers of the Chapter of Sorrow of Iva Leav Chapter No. 75, O. E. S., will meet in Masonic hall Sunday. April 21, at 3 p. m. By order of the Worthy Matron.

A squad of hoodlums paraded East A squart of modellins paraged fast Douglas avenue Friday night at a late hour, breaking show-windows in store fronts and tearing up fack generally. Their sport(?) cost several merchants a good many dollars in damages to prop-

Rainmaker Mathews commenced op-Cent-Information Regarding Wichita.

The decernal consus of the city is fast nearing completion and the result will be a surprise to everybody. That is what I. I. Caldwell who has the matter.

P. A. Rohrbaugh will leave tomor-A pot-bellied Pop runs a dairy in Wichita employing a couple of cows

Becoming discouraged over the drink question he writes Governor Morrill, complianing that the police commis-sioners fail to enforce the prohibitory Dr. G. C. Purdue and wife will re

age gain will not be for from 29 per cent.

This is more gratifying than anything that was expected. While people moved out of here and people moved in no one thought that the population would be any better than a stand off. When the returns are completed Wichita will show a gain of 4,000 people. That is what Assessor Caldwell says, and be has figures to prove it that are

That is what Assessor Caldwell says, and he has figures to prove it that are really astonishing.

Mr. Caldwell also says that his men are working diligently and that they will make the best decenial report ever made in the city.

The following students nave recently engaged in Amanuensis work after completing the course at the Waterbury school: J. E. Batchel. with Coyle & Smith, Guthrie, O. T.; Miss Mattie Gass, with Amidon & Conley, attorneys will make the best decenial report ever made in the city. One of the finest grocery stores in

one of the linest grocery stores in the city is one that just opened up by Jeff S. Cronch at No. 510 East Douglas. Th room is a model of neatness and good taste, not only, but his stock of goods—a very complete assortment—are all new and fresh. He makes his salaam to the public this morning.

per and Sedgwick counties. The fol-lowing officers were elected for the en-suing year: President, Mrs. Caroline Denton of Attica; secretary, Dr. Car-rie E. Tiffany of Wichita; treasurer, Mrs. Sallie Toler of Wichita.

The Wichita High school has organized an athletic association and have appointed April 27 as the first field day at which time the following program will be rendered.

Referee—Prof. J. Lutz.

Judge—Ralph Neiderlander, Bruce
Priddy, Charles McAdams.

Time keepers McAdams. or this week, April 24, from 8 o clock.
No set program will be observed though
music, recitations, extempore talks,
etcetra, interspersed with games and
refreshments will afford enjoyment for
all. No admission fee will be required
and every Workman and his family
only are cordially invited to be present. prospect for fruit as we have this spring. No variety seems to have failspring. No variety seems to have faildefined and it will be hardly possible for a freeze hard enough to hurt. Wheat got the worst of it during the winter but corn and oats are coming along in fine shape. As for alfalfa it now from six to ten inches high and will soon be ready for the first hay crop. The bellyache will cease in the land after the first soaking rain.

MASONIC OFFICERS ELECTED.

Men Who will Govern Scottish Rite Bodies for the Year.

Starter—G. F. Smith.

Clerk of course—Ellmer Reese,
Clerk of course—Ellmer R

gle. Casad.
Twentieth—220 yard dash: D. Woods.
C. Means, O'Neil, A. Means, Price, Ed
Davison.
Twenty-first—Standing hop, step and
jump: Casad. Gove A. Means, Koogle.
Twenty-second—Three-legged race:
Woods and Davison, Myers and Bump,
Woods and Davison, Myers and Bump,

chapter 34 requires that the jury for the district court must be drawn "at least thirty days before any term of the court."

It follows of necessity that as judges of the district round of the Eighteenth Sixtiet of an under the law prevented from refugency any action on your petition. Respectfully.

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Colonel Jock Markot STRAIGHT.

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PROGRAM.
Mrs. H. Beaumon 

Comedy or Tragedy, Which Shall it be?... Magnie M. Craig. Edna B. Hall The Choke of Occupation Heary N. Hulse. Messra. Buckingham, Hartman, Hammers and Jacobs.

Reciprocity Minnle O. Kincald Minnie O. Kincaid.
The Star Spangled Banner
Annie McQuallan.
When the Heart is Young
Mrs. R. Homerighoux
Through Juffe alties to Stars
Mary A. McCoullan. on the West Side.

These and other points of excellence that might be mentioned prove that promptness, honest dealing and energy will always win where success in

Address Prin. W. C. Smoke. Presentation of Diplomas. Supt. Chas. J. Mackey. Mrs. H. Heaumont,

### WILL FIGHT

LOIS OF TROUBLE BREWING IN THE CHESOKEE STRIP.

Home Men and He is Accused of Going Back on What He Sald-When Waggoner Comes to Bring in His Cattle There Will be a Hot Time and Plenty of Work for the Coroner-What Judge Statey Says.

Yesterday Judge Stanley, who lives down near the Antelope hills, in Okla-homa, was in the city. He is a typical ploneer, and a man of considerable ability and force of character. The judge says that the only subject dis cussed down in his neighborhood is that big cattle lease to Dan Waggone of Decateur, Texas. "The people in my country," said the judge, "regard the action of Governor Renfro os some thing that needs a whole lot of explanation. He promised the home cattlemen that when the leases were being nego tiated for he would give them a show tiated for he would give them a show to take it; instead of doing so, he let it to a stranger from Texas, evidently because he was sfrom a Democratic stroing-held, and had influence. Our cattlemen are hot and you will hear from them later. My prediction is that when Dan Waggoner brings his cattle in and goes to unload them that there will be serious trouble and bloodshed. Our people are considerably worked up over the matter I tell you. You may not believe it, but it is a fact, nevertheless, that every cowboy in our country less, that every cowboy in our country undertands what he has a Winchester for, and more than that no more cow boys will be hired who are not willing to fight to keep out intruders on the rights of their bosses. This is no bluff; the cattlemen of western and southwestern Oklahoma have their war paints on, and

Oklahoma have their war paints on, and you will hear from them."

Will Bolton of Woodward, editor of the Live Stock paper, was seen about what Judge Stanley said, and he said: "I know the cattlemen in our country are very indignant, but I do not know whether their indignation will culminate in bloodshed. That they think, and the people think, they have been treated badly there is no doubt. They were ignored in the lease, and a stranger action of the said of in the lease, and a stranger ac cepted and they relish it by no means.

### HE WAS PROMOTED.

Sou of Judge Ruggles Climbs the Ladde in Railroad Work. Once more a Wichita boy gets on top. Roll P. Ruggles, son of Judge Ruggles sent the gratifying news to his parents yesterday of his promotion on the Chiyesterday of his promotion on the Chi-cago and Alton railroad. He now oc-cupies the position of general yard-master and trainmaster of the whole terminal system at St. Louis with head-quarters at St. Louis. This promotion was on account of Mr. Ruggle's brav-ery during the Debs' strike. While the strike was at the highest and the rail-road officials panie stricken. the Chistrike was at the highest and the rail-road officials panic-stricken, the Chi-cago and Alton officials sent for Mr. Ruggles at St. Louis and asked him to come to Chicago at once and takecharge of the yards there. Roll had his old Wichit pluck with him and went to Chicago, and in a day or two the trains on the Chicago and Alton began to move out of Chicago. The officials told him at the time that he would be promoted for his actions, and day before yesterhis actions, and day before yester-

A. C. Crume of the Santa Fe service yesterday purchased, through Henry Zimmerman & Co., Dr. J. W. Kirk-wood's residence, 903 South Topeka avenue. Mr. Crume purchased the property for a permanent home and will occupy it with his family in a short time.

### That TiredFeeling Is due to an impoverished condition of the blood. It should be overcome without de-

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MAIN WICHITA, KAN.

## AT Gash Henderson's

Great surprises await this week's visitors in our It is all Over That Big Lease to the Texas Store. The Wash Goods department represents only Man-Governor Renfrow Promised it to one of the many vast parts of this immense store to which we invite your attention.

This department occupies the rear half of the center room and is not only the largest stock in Kansas, but is well up to the stocks carried by the big stores in eastern cities. Good, reliable fabrics at moderate prices all through the line-not one bargain here and one there just for a bait. Among the goods you will find use for during the coming months in this department are Scotch and French Novelties, French Organdies in Dresden effects, Dimities, Swisses, Mulls, Trilby Crepons, Duchesses and Jaconettes. If you haven't time to allow our obliging cierks to show you the goods over the coun ters take a look at a few of the more popular kinds in our north window.

Our domestic department comes in for a share of your attention. Never in a former season have we so completely succeeded in stocking up this department so thoroughly with so many good goods as we have this season. Here or there-anywhere you look over the line of shelves, you will find goods at lower prices than ever quoted in previous seasons. Here is a sample item selected from among the many: Fine quality French Lawns, worth 15c all about the city; our price 84c. We can't refrain from mentioning our elegant line of Ladies' Late Style Shirt Waists in this department.

In the silk corner are many carefully selected bar-gains for particular people. Here are two of them: Crepon de Loie at 45c a yard; 20 pieces only. You'll like them especially for evening waists. A fine lot of Taffetas in all late ideas. Dresden effects and checks. We mentioned all wool Serges at 30c Saturday. Enough remaining at the price to accommodate tomorrow and Tuesday's buyers.

In the Notion department are many new things. Among them are all the late Collars in Vandyke points and other popular styles. A new invoice Veilings and the finest line of Laces and Embroideries ever brought into Wichita.

Tomorrow we offer a number of Fire Screensbeautifully decorated ones—at 45c each. No one on earth except a Chinese or a Jap could make them to sell at this price. Yet here they are. Tomorrow at 45c each. Your friends will think they cost you \$2.50 or \$3 each if you purchase one of them

# AT Gash Henderson's



# TO COMMON SENSE

whenever we meet it.

Common sense teaches us that prices ought to come down during hard times. Others may let their

clothing become moldy and moth-eaten on their shelves. We prefer to sell our goods, even if we only get back our money. We know "times are hard." So is a cake of ice, but you can melt it. If you want to see hard times softened come and see our new goods and how little money it takes to buy good clothing.

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